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UPDATE NUMBER SEVEN ON THE WILLIAMS FIRE

At the present time, the Williams Fire has reached 35,000 acres and is 35% contained. The risk to the foothill communities has been mitigated, but resources will continue to patrol for hot spots over the next few days.

Residents of the foothill communities have been allowed to return to their homes. The communities of Follows Camp and Camp Williams in the east fork of San Gabriel Canyon remain evacuated. Although they are no longer threatened by the wildfire, there are hazards such as rolling rocks and smoldering debris that must be abated before they are allowed to return to their homes. Mt. Baldy Village remains evacuated until all threat is alleviated.

It is likely that you will continue to see large columns of smoke on occasion due to the fire burning back into the wilderness, but this should pose no threat to any structures.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please let me know.

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